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For:	Stent Drug Delivery System
Examiner:	Jermie E. Cozart
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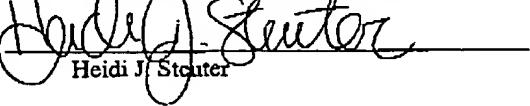
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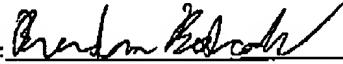
We would appreciate receiving a Status Report on the above-identified application at the earliest possible date.

A review of our files indicates that we filed a Supplemental Brief on Appeal on October 24, 2005 in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated June 24, 2005.

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